

1. Call to Order: The regular meeting of the Hanover Township Committee on Youth was called to order by Acting Chairperson Greg Herbert at 7:02 p.m., September 25, 2006 at the Township Offices, 250 S. Route 59, Bartlett, Illinois.

To the visitors present Greg Herbert gave an overview of the Committee and its mission and members were then introduced. Members present were Richard Clyburn, Greg Herbert, Bill Peterson, Ashley Tyszkiewicz and Director Kathy Fox.

2. Approval of Minutes: It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of August 28, 2006. Motion carried.
3. Treasurer's Report: No report was available for the meeting. Also no report for Astor Avenue was available. The previous monthly reports will be reviewed at the next meeting.
4. Youth and Family Services Report: Kathy announced that the department is a winner for the Governor's Home Town Award (General Category) for the renovation of the Astor Avenue Community Center. Final placement for award winners will be announced at the luncheon to be held in Springfield on October 18. Kathy, Michael Cohen and Carmen Chavez from the department and possibly two teen participants in the renovation will be present, as will some Elected Officials and volunteers.

Two mandatory, orientation sessions for parents and students involved in the tutoring program were held on September 18 and 21. Attendance was required at either session. The program itself will commence on October 12. All tutors from last year have returned. Students to be served include some who are returning as well as some new ones.

5. Astor Avenue Report: The grand opening for the Astor Avenue Community Center is set for Saturday, October 7 from noon to 4 p.m. Scheduled events will begin with a parade through the immediate neighborhood to include the Jesse White Tumblers, Girl Scouts, a number of elected officials, some roller bladers, a banner with a unique logo for the Center and other units.

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Kathy and Committee members went through the task list created for the event to determine where Committee members could assist.

Kelly Skiles is visiting six area elementary schools seeking five students per school with demonstrated leadership abilities to ask them what would they like to see happen at the Astor Avenue Community Center. Kelly is hosting the event and will be assisted by Michael Cohen and Carla Malabanan, an undergraduate level intern from Loyola.

The position of Site Director remains open. Many applicants have been considered for this key position.

6. Old Business: John Parquette continues to interview applicants for the full time therapist position.
7. New Business: Kathy distributed an information sheet which is being used to advertise and inform persons about the mission, core values and services offered by the department. Reference is also made regarding the Committee on Youth.

The Township Officials of Illinois conference will be held on November 12-15 in Springfield. Kathy will be attending.

An undergraduate level intern from Loyola, Carla Malabanan, has begun working in the department, under the supervision of Susan Alborell.

8. Public Comments: None

It was moved and seconded to adjourn at 7:46 p.m. Motion carried.

NEXT MEETING: October 23, 2006

Respectfully Submitted,

William Peterson, Secretary